

THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 1889.

The National Bank.

Considerable progress has been made in obtaining subscriptions to the capital stock of a National Bank since the meeting held on January 4th. Somewhat more than \$6,000 of new subscriptions have been obtained with a good prospect of securing the whole amount at an early day. It is very desirable that the number of contributors to the stock shall be large. Those who can take only a small amount will be welcomed, since it will indicate an interest in the enterprise which will encourage the larger holders. The bank, to be successful must have the enthusiastic support of the townspeople. By deposits of money, and by other means business can be turned into the bank, which in its turn will prove a convenience to the people and a laudable object of pride.

The present is a golden opportunity for all who wish to encourage such an institution. This enterprise is nearer success now than it has ever been before. Another year and not \$50,000, but \$100,000 stock must be subscribed. The men who are interested now may become indifferent or skeptical of success, if this opportunity is allowed to slip by. But if improved the foundation of a paving institution will have been laid. Each year will draw to it the confidence of depositors, while the growth of the township, in population and wealth, will furnish it with new sources of income.

No rival is likely to spring up to deprive it of business, for the field will be occupied, and the capital to be raised will be too large to tempt in vestors. Subscribe liberally and subscribe at once!

The New Township Law and the Schools.

The Public Schools are near to the hearts of the people. It is but natural that they should look with distrust upon anything which may injure their efficiency. There will, therefore, be no complaint if the new law is examined with minuteness to discover its probable effect upon the prosperity of the Schools.

Provisions by which the number and method of electing trustees shall be changed have already been referred to in these columns. Instead of six trustees in District No. 7, and three trustees in District No. 6, there will be twelve trustees elected in four wards. Taxation will be uniform throughout the township, and the privileges of the High, Grammar and Primary Schools will be free to every child within the township.

Appropriations for the support of the Public Schools will be made by the township council. The powers and duties of the boards of education shall be the same as those vested or imposed upon the boards of trustees of school districts.

Some question has arisen as to the powers of the council to appropriate money for buying land and building school-houses upon it. The eighty-third section of the new law provides that no property shall be bought or building erected by the said board unless a majority of the voters of town, voting at an annual town election, shall have ordered an appropriation for that purpose. By a law passed in 1885 the funds required for this purpose may be raised by the issue of bonds by the township council in the corporate name of the township, to pay not more than six per cent interest, and payable in ten annual installments from the date of issue.

Thus there seems to be sufficient provision made for the maintenance of the schools as well as for their extension as the needs of the township require it.

Township Committee.

The Township Committee rooms were filled with a large delegation of West End citizens on Wednesday evening. They presented a petition signed by residents of West End and Glen Ridge requesting the Committee to equip with the necessary apparatus the hose company which is being organized in that district. The company will be known as the West End Hose Company, No. 4, and will be located on Linden avenue, between Thomas street and Midland avenue. The petition set forth the urgent need of a hose company in that section of the town. The matter was referred to the Fire Committee to be reported at the next meeting.

South E. Perry, an officer of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, called the attention of the Committee to a matter of the utmost importance to the owners of horses in Bloomfield. Mr. Perry stated that an Italian from Newark, who is employed with his horse and cart at the Glen Ridge Quarry was driving an animal that was afflicted with a disease that was suppose to be glanders. The man watered his horse at the fountain at the Centre. The infectious discharge from his nostrils poisons the water in the basin. Mr. Perry was instructed to place the matter in the hands of Health Inspector Baxter. Immediate steps will be taken to avert the nuisance.

Mr. Hockel and Mr. Decker, of Silver Lake again brought the annexation scheme before the Committee. Mr. Hockel said that it would be impossible to get the consent of Belleville Township to the Second River as a boundary line.

The Hendricks were opposed to it and would go to Trenton and fight against it in the Legislature. The discussion then turned to the amount of taxable property in the district. Mr. Oakes said that he had been informed by a resident of Belleville that the district only turned in about \$600 to the township. Mr. Farrand presented a statement from the assessor of Belleville Township showing that the property in the district was assessed to the amount of \$71,000 which at a tax rate of 1.53 returned to the town \$4,178. The Bloomfield tax rate, being much higher, would bring in a larger amount. Mr. Farrand also stated that a large tract of land had been bought for the establishment of a factory which would greatly increase value of taxable property. Mr. Oakes was of the opinion that the matter was outside the jurisdiction of the Committee to settle. Every tax-payer in Bloomfield was interested in the matter. It was a question whether the money received from the district in the way of taxes would meet the demand made on the township for improvements. That improvements would be demanded was evident from the desire for change. Gas, roads, sidewalks and water would be expected. If the tax received did not meet the outlay the people of Bloomfield would be called upon to make up the deficiency. Mr. Heckel admitted that the motive for seeking to come under the jurisdiction of Bloomfield was to take advantage of the opportunity to obtain a better return for the taxes paid. He was of the opinion that they could do better with Bloomfield than with Belleville. They expected and would demand that the gas and water system be extended into the district and also that the roads and side walks would be kept in order. But they did not expect any more than a fair proportion. They did not expect to have a thousand dollars expended in their district if they only paid five hundred dollars. Counsel Richards suggested that Mr. Heckel and his friends interview the tax paying residents of Bloomfield and obtain their opinion in the matter and get their signatures to a petition to be presented to the Committee. If a sufficient number of signatures were secured to convince the Committee that the scheme met with general approval among the taxpayers they could then approve of the annexation of the district and lend their aid in carrying it out. This suggestion met with the approval of all, and the petition will be circulated and presented at next meeting.

A communication was read from counsel of the N. Y. & G. L. R. Company stating that the Company had decided to erect a new bridge over Belleville Avenue. They will commence work on it in the spring. The new structure will give one foot more clearance over the roadway than the present one.

Mr. Farrand called attention to a nuisance complained of by residents of Hill street. The East Orange Water Company put water into Mr. E. Freeman's residence. The water has subsequently been shut off. The pipe leaks at the place since the water was shut off and the water runs down Hill street and collects in a lake near Peloubet's barn. The Water Committee were instructed to notify the Water Company to abate the nuisance.

Members of the Committee stated that they had been frequently spoken to about the proposed change in the township government. The people seemed to be all at sea in the matter, and some very wild ideas were being spread abroad. It was deemed advisable to call a public meeting and have the Town Council endeavor to answer such questions as citizens might ask. Wednesday, January 23, was fixed as the date of the meeting.

The Legislature.

The State Legislature is organized, but has done nothing as yet, of any importance, and nothing can be expected until the United States Senatorial race is settled. In the appointment of committees the highest possible compliment has been paid to Republican brains. Only one from that party has been put upon each committee (instead of two minority members as has been the rule). The fact is, our average Republican Representative is equal in brains and ability to two Democrats, and well they know it. Therefore it would never do to have the committees of a Democratic Legislature over-weighted by Republican brains and experience.

Mr. McGowan, whose ability and experience and integrity are known of all in this district, is so highly appreciated and possibly feared by the Speaker and his advisers, that a place in the committee on printing is as far as they dare go in recognizing the representative from the First. A more forcedly sincere compliment could not have been paid to the Republicans than this constitution of the committees in accordance with Democratic principles and tactics.

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THOMAS OAKES, Chairman.

EDWARD F. FARRAND, Clerk.

Bloomfield, N. J., Jan. 7, 1889.

Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Reward of Ten Dollars is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons breaking windows and doors, and shooting and discharging shot-shells. By order of the Township Committee.

THOMAS OAKES, Chairman.

EDWARD F. FARRAND, Clerk.

Bloomfield, N. J., Nov. 14th 1888.

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